Episode 63: Chains

...WHAT IS IT, HISTORIA?

HOW...

...

HOW WAS IT I...

...HAD FOR-GOTTEN ALL OF THIS TIME?

I HAD... HER.

I WASN'T ALONE...

HOW COULD I HAVE FOR-GOTTEN HER...?

SHE WAS SO KIND TO ME...

...TAUGHT ME HOW TO READ AND WRITE.

SHE...

...FRIEDA?

YOU KNEW...

...

FRIEDA?

...?

SHE WAS YOUR HALF SISTER.

THAT WAS FRIEDA REISS.

...THAT MUST HAVE BEEN HER.

A YOUNG GIRL WITH LONG, BLACK HAIR?

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ERASE MY MEMO-RIES?

WHAT?

BUT...

YES.

...SEEMS TO HAVE BROUGHT THOSE MEMORIES BACK.

...SO AS TO PROTECT YOU.

SHE MUST HAVE ERASED YOUR MEMORIES OF HER...

I SUPPOSE SHE WORRIED ABOUT YOU AND CHECKED IN ON YOU FROM TIME TO TIME.

...LAYING YOUR HAND ON HIM IN THIS PLACE...

FATHER...?

UM...

THEN DID EREN REMEMBER SOMETHING, TOO...?

...?

...

WHERE IS FRIEDA NOW?

I'D LIKE TO MEET HER AND THANK HER.

I NEED TO THANK HER FOR WHAT SHE DID BACK THEN.

IF IT WASN'T FOR HER, THEN I...

...FRIEDA IS NO LONGER OF THIS WORLD...

I ONCE HAD FIVE CHILDREN ...

...BUT FIVE YEARS AGO, MY WIFE, AND ALL OF OUR CHILDREN, INCLUDING FRIEDA...

WHAT ...?

...BY GRISHA YEAGER, HIS FATHER.

...WERE KILLED IN THIS PLACE ...

I DIDN'T KNOW WHO HE WAS...

GRISHA POSSESSED TITAN POWER.

...BUT I DO KNOW...

...HE CAME HERE TO STEAL AWAY THE POWER OF THE REISS FAMILY.

...WAS THE TITAN POWER THAT RESIDED INSIDE FRIEDA.

AND WHAT GRISHA SOUGHT...

IT POSSESSED AN INVINCIBLE POWER...

FRIEDA'S TITAN WAS THE GREATEST OF ALL THE TITANS.

BUT...

SHE LACKED THE EXPERIENCE NECESSARY TO EXPLOIT ITS FULL POTENTIAL.

AND SO, UNABLE TO UNLEASH HER TRUE ABILITIES...

...FRIEDA WAS EATEN BY GRISHA...

...WHO STOLE THAT POWER AWAY.

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EVEN WORSE ...

...AND HE TRIED TO ERADICATE THE REISS LINE.

...HIS EYES THEN FELL UPON OUR FAMILY...

HE CRUSHED DIRK, WHO WAS FOURTEEN, AND HIS BROTHER ABEL, WHO WAS TWELVE.

HE STOMPED FLORIAN, STILL ONLY TEN, ALONG WITH HIS MOTHER, AS THEY HELD TO EACH OTHER.

FINALLY, HE SQUEEZED THE LIFE OUT OF URKLYN, OUR ELDEST SON.

THE ONLY ONE WHO MANAGED TO SURVIVE...

...WAS ME.

SISTER...

MY POOR...

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HOW COULD HE DO...

... SUCH A TERRIBLE THING?

Y'ALL ARE STILL BLABBERING ?

KAIT KAIT

WHOA...

WHOA...

WHOA.

IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THEY FIND THIS PLACE.

LIKE I JUST TOLD YA, THE MILITARY'S COUP D'ÉTAT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! GOOD FOR THEM, RIGHT?

DID YA FORGET WHAT JUST HAPPENED ?

HURRY UP AND DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

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THAT WAS MY PLAN.

YES...

I'M JUST HERE LOOKING FOR A BATHROOM! I GOTTA GO NUMBER TWO!

AWFUL SORRY, KING! DID I MAKE YA MAD?

WHY ARE YOU STILL HERE?

BUT I BELIEVE I TOLD YOU THAT ALL ANTI-PERSONNEL CONTROL SQUAD MEMBERS HAD TO LEAVE HERE FIRST, INCLUDING YOU.

KAT KAT

LIKE-WISE, KING.

GO.

I TRUST YOU.

KENNY...

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AND YOU'LL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO WEAR CLOTHES FROM THE KNEES DOWN.

STARTING TODAY, YOU'RE GOING TO BE DIGESTING ALL YOUR FOOD IN REVERSE.

ALSO, ONCE A WEEK, YOU'LL BE SHOWN TO THE PUBLIC LIKE THIS.

BUT IT WILL ONLY BE COMPLETED ONCE YOU'RE EXPOSED TO THE VERY PUBLIC YOU TYRANNIZED.

THIS MAY BE THE GREATEST WORK OF ART EVER CON-CEIVED.

...BEAUTIFUL.

IT'S NOT LIKE THE NOBLE BLOOD IN OUR VEINS...

YOUR BLOOD IS SLAVE BLOOD...

JUST YOU WAIT...

ZACKLY...

TRYING TO INTIMI-DATE ME WITH THAT AGAIN?

GAA HA HA HA!

DON'T YOU HAVE SOME-THING NEW?!

YOU WON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO SHI—

KLUP

SOON YOU'LL LOSE YOUR MEMORY!

THIS IS NO GOOD, ERWIN...

ZAKS

IT'S JUST AS YOU AND YOUR FATHER THEO-RIZED.

THE GOVERNMENT LEADERS ALL SAID THE SAME THING.

BUT THEY'RE CLAIMING THAT SOME BLOOD-LINES, INCLUDING THEIRS, AREN'T AFFECTED!

...TO ALTER HUMAN MEMORIES AS THEY SEE FIT.

THE REISS FAMILY HAS THE ABILI-TY...

THEN THAT ...

...!!

SO WE WOULD FORGET EVEN SOMETHING THAT IMPORTANT...

I SEE ...

EVERY ONE OF THEM JABBERED ON SHAMELESSLY ABOUT HOW WE'D GET WHAT WAS COMING TO US, CLAIMING THAT BEATING THEM WILL ONLY COME BACK TO HAUNT US LATER.

THAT MEANS IF REISS GETS A HOLD OF EREN'S SCREAM, THEN IT'LL BE LIKE THIS PEOPLE'S UPRISING NEVER HAPPENED!

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MAND-
ER...

TO THINK HE DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO SUCH TWISTED DESIRES ...

...!

I DON'T UNDER-STAND HIM...

IN ANY CASE, THEIR FATE IS IN ZACKLY'S HANDS... I'M SURE HE'D LIKE TO KEEP TORTURING THEM.

...IN-
DEED.

MY TONGUE SLIPPED THERE...

MMF...

SO YOU KNEW...?

AND ALSO UNLIKE YOU...

UNLIKE YOU, I'M NOT A BETTING MAN.

...ABOUT THE NUMBER OF SURVIVING HUMANS THAN MY OWN LIFE.

...I CARE MORE ...

I HAD AN INKLING OF DARIUS ZACKLY'S AMBITIONS...

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BUT IF THE CROWN HAD BEEN VINDICATED ...

I WENT ALONG WITH THAT PLAN OF YOURS BECAUSE I BELIEVED IT TO BE BEST FOR HUMANITY.

...TO FIGHT AGAINST ZACKLY.

...THEN I HAD PREPARED MYSELF...

OUR REVOLUTION JUST TOOK PLACE, AND LISTEN TO HOW WE TALK ABOUT OUR COMRADES...

HEH...

ZAKK

ALL TROOPS REPORT READY !

COM-MAND-ER!

HOW LONG AGO WAS THAT ?

SOMEONE SANG A SONG ONCE, ABOUT HOW MAN WOULD ONE DAY GIVE UP WAR...

WE AWAIT YOUR ORDERS !!

ZAKKI

...UNTIL THE HUMAN POPULATION IS DOWN TO ONE OR LESS.

PEOPLE WON'T STOP FIGHTING EACH OTHER...

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I WAS HOPING FOR SOMETHING MORE THAN CHEAP RHETORIC.

HAH ...

...

ALL TROOPS IN FORMATION !!

FWOOP

MOVE ON THE CURRENT TARGET, THE CHAPEL ON THE REISS FAMILY GROUNDS!!

THE OPERATION TO RECOVER EREN AND HISTORIA BEGINS NOW!

HE'LL BE THE BIGGEST OBSTACLE, IF HE'S THERE.

KENNY THE RIPPER.

YOU GET ALL THAT ?

WITH THOSE WEAPONS, HE'LL BE EVEN HARDER TO DEAL WITH.

NO ...

THINK OF HIM AS... LIKE ME, BUT ON THE ENEMY'S SIDE.

EXACTLY! IF WE WAIT TILL MORNING, EREN MIGHT GET EATEN!

WE CAN'T.

AND IF WE WAIT FOR THE MILITARY TO ARRIVE...

THEN... WE CAN'T POSSIBLY BEAT HIM!

YES... NO MATTER HOW WELL-TRAINED HE IS, IF YESTERDAY WAS HIS FIRST TASTE OF REAL BATTLE, THEN WE HAVE AN EDGE.

REALLY, ARMIN?

BUT... BASED ON WHAT THE CAPTAIN'S SAID, IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE THIS KENNY IS **INVINCIBLE** ...

SORRY... I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HIS LAST NAME UNTIL YESTERDAY.

...BUT, LEVI... HOW IS IT YOU DON'T KNOW MORE ABOUT KENNY THE RIPPER? DIDN'T YOU LIVE WITH HIM?

...

THINK YOU'RE RELATED?

APPAR-ENTLY, IT'S... ACKER-MAN.

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...

...THEY TOLD ME THAT MY FATHER'S FAMILY, THE ACKERMANS, WERE PERSECUTED INSIDE THE CITIES.

WHEN MY PARENTS WERE STILL ALIVE...

WHEN MY PARENTS MET, THEY'D BOTH BEEN DRIVEN DEEP INTO THE MOUNTAINS, NEAR THE WALLS.

MY MOTHER'S FAMILY LOST THEIR HOME TOO, POSSIBLY BECAUSE THEY WERE ASIAN.

HE DIDN'T SEEM TO BE OF A DIFFERENT RACE, LIKE MY MOTHER...

BUT MY FATHER NEVER KNEW WHY THE ACKERMAN FAMILY WAS PERSECUTED.

...

DID YOU EVER EXPERIENCE A MOMENT IN YOUR LIFE WHEN IT FELT AS THOUGH A POWER SUDDENLY AWOKE INSIDE OF YOU?

MI-KA-SA...

...YES, I DID.

KENNY ACKER-MAN TOLD ME...

...HE HAD A MOMENT LIKE THAT, TOO.

ONE DAY...

... ALL AT ONCE ...

...HE FELT A STUPID AMOUNT OF STRENGTH SURGE THROUGH HIS BODY...

...AND HE KNEW EXACTLY WHAT TO DO.

...I HAD ...

...A MOMENT LIKE THAT, TOO.

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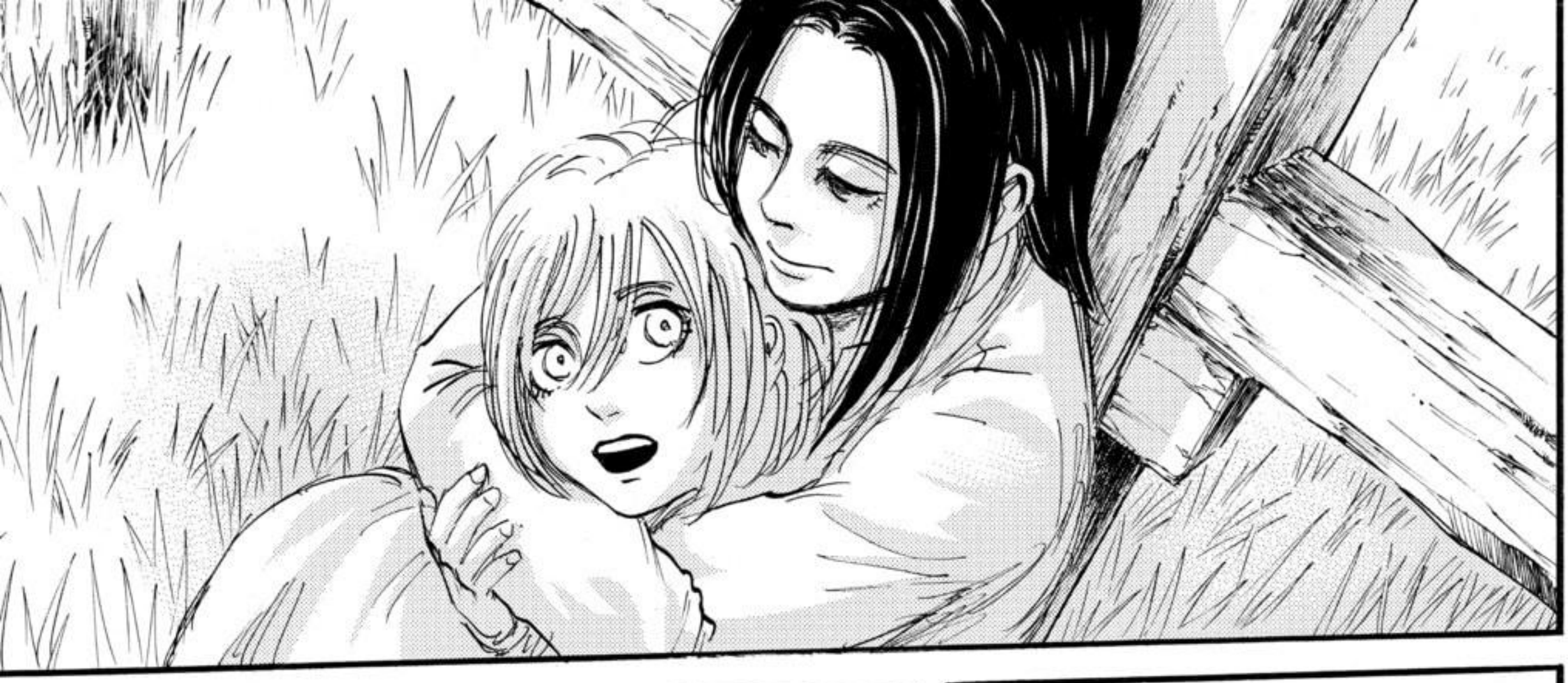

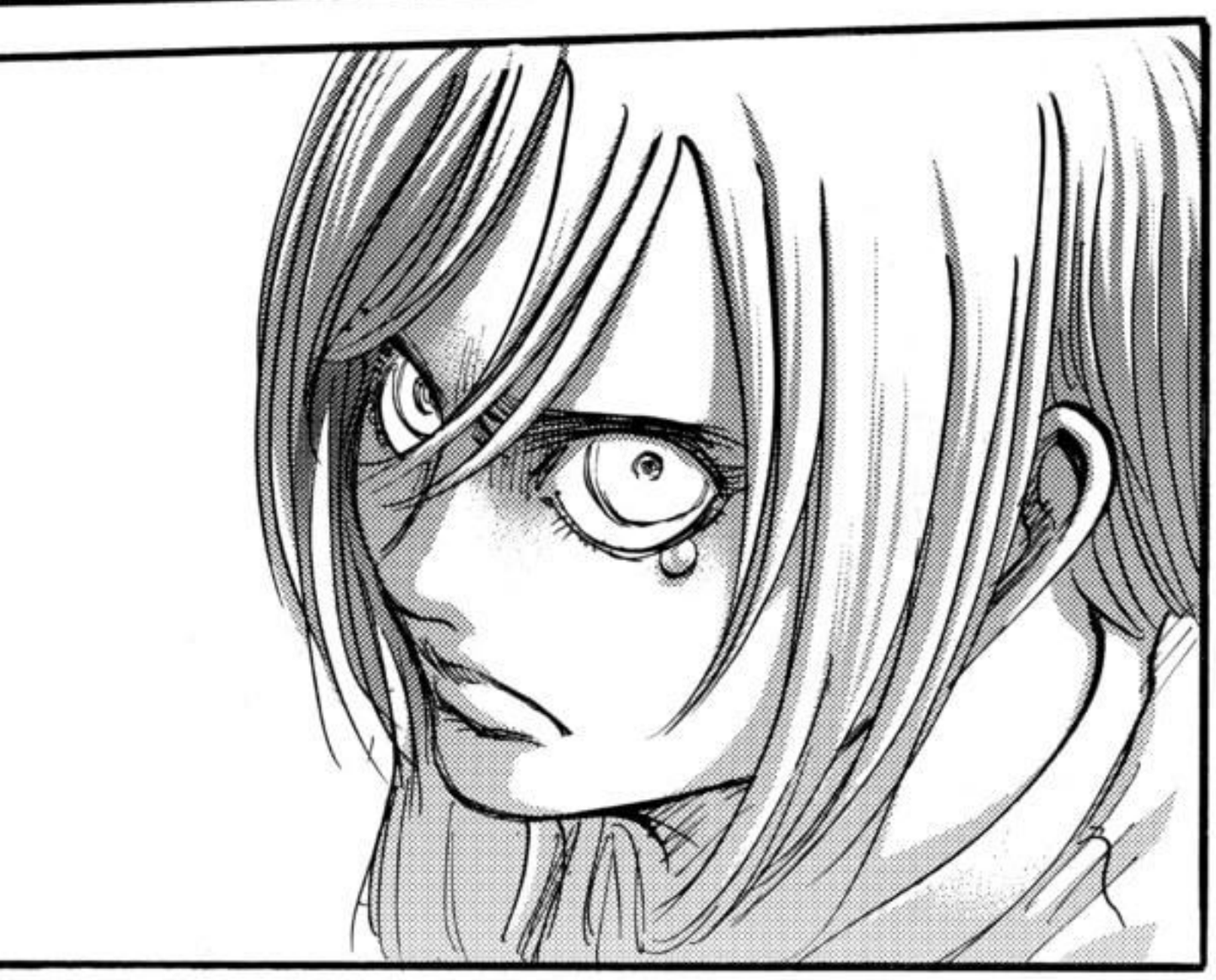

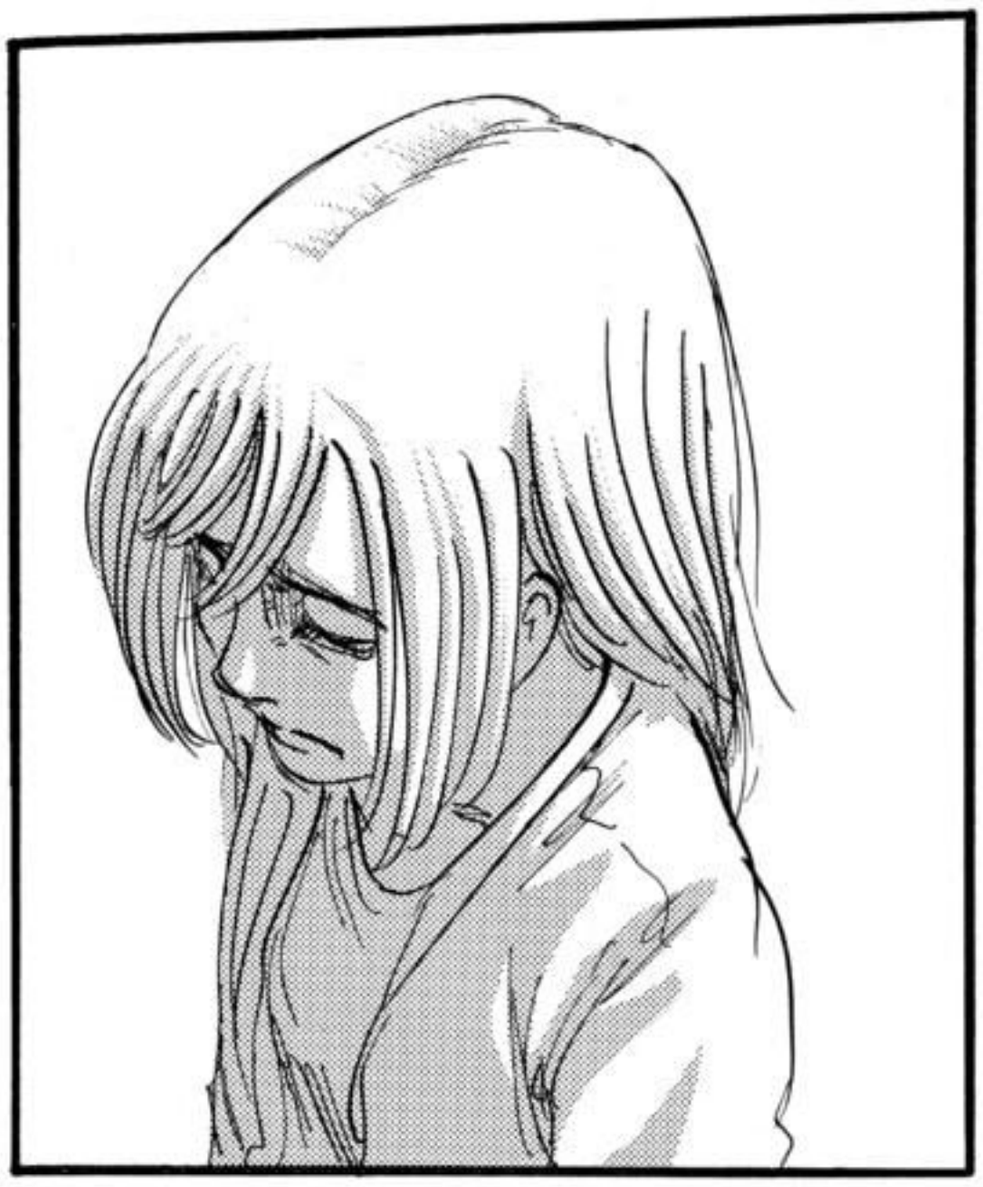

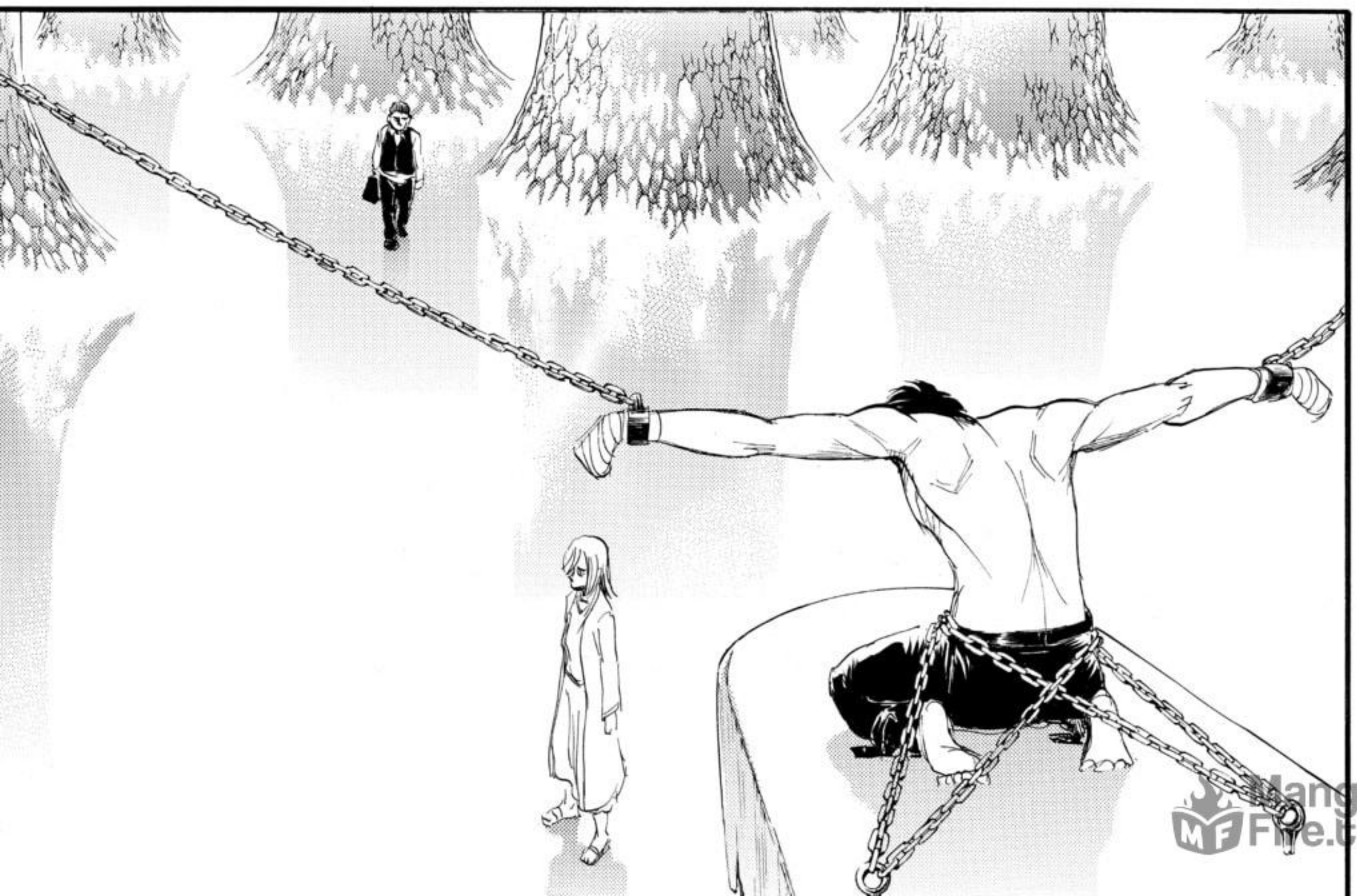

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FATHER.

IT SEEMS WE'RE FINALLY ALONE.

THUNK

I'M SORRY I KEPT YOU WAITING, HISTORIA.

GRISTLE

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POP

WHAT IS THAT?

FATHER..

TAK

THIS MAY SOUND RIDICULOUS TO YOU...

...BUT FRIEDA HASN'T DIED YET.

LISTEN, HISTORIA.

...

...WHAT?

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YOU WILL BE THE ONE...

DO YOU WANT TO MEET YOUR SISTER?

FRIEDA'S **MEMORIES** LIVE ON.

...TO AVENGE YOUR MOTHER !!

...YEAH.

VERY WELL ...

I DO...

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KLANG

MMMM

ATTACK
ON TITAN